(c) whether there is demand for codifying measures for prevention of communal riots and provision of relief and rehabilitation assistance to the victims and for making it mandatory to establish Citizens' peace Committees in every district and police station area;

(d) if so, what are the details and the reaction of Government thereto;

(e) the number of people arrested and number of cases charged against; and

(f) the present status of the cases alongwith details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. The communal situation in country has generally remained peaceful in recent years barring the Gujarat incidents during 2002. The number of communal incidents and persons killed in each of the last three years is given below:

Year	Number of incidents	Number of persons killed
2000	787	243
2001	778	210
2002	722	1130

(c) to (f) The Union Government has already issued comprehensive guidelines to promote communal harmony to all the States/Union Territories which contain steps to be taken with regard to prevention of communal riots, provision for relief/rehabilitation to the victims, effective utilization of Peace Committee mechanism in defusing the communal tension and restoration of normalcy in the affected areas Police and Public Order being State subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution, details relating to number of people arrested, number of cases charged against, present status of the cases etc. are not maintained centrally by the Government.

Legislation to facilitate construction of Ram Temple

1068. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring in legislation to facilitate the construction of Ram Temple at Ayodhya; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Dual citizenship

1069. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 122 given in the Rajya Sabha on 19th February, 2003 and state:

(a) whether the details and other modalities with regard to Government's decision to grant dual citizenship under the Citizenship Act, 1955 to Persons of Indian Origin, who have acquired citizenship of certain countries, have since been finalized;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if the reply to part(a) above be in the negative, by when a final decision in the matter is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK) : (a) to (c) The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill 2003 containing, *inter-alia,* provisions for the registration of persons of Indian origin belonging to eight specified countries as overseas citizens of India, was introduced in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th May, 2003.

Narcotics-arms link on the borders of J & K and Punjab

1070. PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that ISI bad revived narcotics, arms link on the borders with J&K and Punjab; and

(b) the steps Government have taken to deal with situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK) : (a) There is no specific report suggesting that ISI had revived narcotics arms link on the borders with J&K and Punjab.